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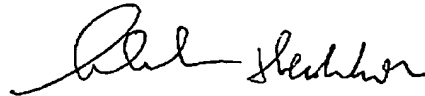
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.27(3)(i) and/or 37 C.F.R. 1.28(c), Patentee hereby informs the PTO that the above-identified patent is no longer entitled to claim Small Entity Status. Accordingly, Patentee requests that the PTO records be changed to reflect Large Entity Status for the above-identified patent.

Should there be any questions or comments regarding this matter, the undersigned may be contacted at the below-listed telephone number.

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